

# Update on Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (DMPED) Operating Status during COVID-19 Emergency

### What is our operating status?

NOTICE: The Public Health Emergency is now in effect through April 24; school and government reopen on April 27.

Along with the rest of District Government, our agency remains operational. We are operating on a telework status and have made modifications to how some services are being provided which are listed below.

### How does this impact what we do?

- **Day to Day Functions** No changes. DMPED continues to answer phones, respond to emails, process payments and continue other day-to-day functions.
- **Stakeholder engagement** We continue to engage with stakeholders and hold meetings, but virtually via phone, email, and other electronic mediums.
- **Travel** Travel related to international and domestic business attraction initiatives is suspended in accordance with the District's policy.

### How does this impact our physical locations?

- DMPED Headquarters (1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 317) Will be closed and employees assigned to full telework. Stakeholders and residents can continue to reach the front desk at 202-727-6365 during business hours (8:30 am to 5:30 pm Monday-Friday) or <a href="mailto:frontdesk.dmped@dc.gov">frontdesk.dmped@dc.gov</a>.
- 1015 Half Street SE, Suite 675 Will be closed and employees assigned to full telework.

### What else are we offering to meet your needs?

• Website and social media – DMPED will continue to communicate with stakeholders via dmped.dc.gov, the DMPED email newsletter (sign up <a href="here">here</a> and select "DMPED") and social media including Twitter (@DMPEDDC) and Instagram (@DMPED).

# What precautions are we taking to limit the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19)?

Our employees are taking precautions to keep themselves healthy and limit the spread of infections like regularly washing their hands, cleaning facilities more frequently, and reducing close contact with each other and residents. Employees have been asked to let their supervisor know immediately if they feel sick.

## Where should you go if you have questions?

For questions about any of the services we provide and information on any future changes, please contact us at 202-727-6365 or <a href="mailto:frontdesk.dmped@dc.gov">frontdesk.dmped@dc.gov</a>. For more information, please visit coronavirus.dc.gov.

